PATENT APPLICATION

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Docket No:

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PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.53

Commissioner for Patents Box Patent Application P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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Title:

METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PROCESSING MAIL

- 1. Type of Application
 - This is a new application for a utility patent.
- 2. Application Papers Enclosed
 - 1 title page
 - pages of specification (excluding claims, abstract, and drawings)
 - 3 pages of claims
 - 1 page of abstract
 - 4 sheets of formal drawings (Figs. 1 to 4)

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.10

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3.	Declaration or	Oath			
		Not enclosed - the undersigned attorney or agent is authorized to file this application on behalf of the applicants. An executed declaration will follow.			
4.	Additional Papers Enclosed				
	\boxtimes	Information Disclosure Statement			
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5.	Priority Applic	eations Under 35 USC 119			
	Certified copies of applications from which priority under 35 USC 119 is claimed are listed below a				
		are attached.			
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6. Filing Fee Calculation (37 CFR 1.16)

A. Utility Application

	CLAIMS AS FIL	ED - INCLUDING		LY AMENDMEN	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	FEE	RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE				\$385.00		\$770.00
TOTAL	9 - 20	= 0	X 9=	\$	X 18 =	
INDEP.	2 - 3	= 0	X 43 =	\$	X 86 =	
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	В.	Design Application (\$170.00/\$340.00)		Filing Fee:				
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	D.	Other	Other Fees					
			Recording Assignment [Fee — \$40.00 per assignment]					
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			Other					
			Total	Fees Enclosed	\$770.00			
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